

been ignored. The government of China is actively locating and deporting border-crossers back to North Korea.

The practice of returning North Koreans who have fled to China is particularly worrisome, because, under the North Korean judicial system, to leave the country without state permission is considered as an act of treason. North Koreans who flee to neighboring nations, including China, face a high risk of execution should they ever return.

Mr. Speaker, North Korea is an extremely closed society, and millions of North Koreans live in desperate conditions. The regime is classified by Human Rights Watch as being "among the world's most repressive." The government controls virtually all aspects of life, and political, economic, and religious freedoms are nonexistent. Without guarantees of due process and fair trials, citizens live in fear of arbitrary arrest, and of torture and execution by the state. The state controls all access to information, utilizing their control of the media to manipulate the population. Following the famine of 1994–1998, food shortages persist, and many residents are to this day suffering from hunger.

Large numbers of North Koreans have fled these conditions, a significant percentage of which would likely fit the legal definition of refugees. The percentage of these refugees who are women is strikingly high, with recent estimates putting the figure potentially as high as 75%, an enormous increase from an estimated 20% only four to five years ago, though the reasons for this trend are unclear. Female refugees throughout the world face specific challenges, and, in China, any children born to North Korean women face an extremely uncertain future.

In 2004, Congress passed the North Korea Human Rights Act with overwhelming bipartisan support, in an effort to refocus U.S. attention on the people of North Korea. This legislation provided humanitarian assistance to the North Korean people, as well as improved access to information through radio broadcasts and other activities and resources to help refugees fleeing the oppressive regime. This legislation also required the President to appoint a special envoy on North Korea.

This legislation that we are considering reauthorizes this important bill, extending the North Korean Human Rights Act through fiscal year 2012. This doubles the original funding authorization for human rights and democracy programs enhancing the role of the special envoy position, making it a full-time ambassadorial rank post.

I believe that this bill makes necessary improvements upon the original North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004. I am a tireless advocate for human rights worldwide as my continual involvement in promoting human rights for countries such as Syria, Iran, Sudan, and Vietnam is a testament of my dedication towards human rights. I believe those fleeing North Korea should be provided with vital support and aid by the United States Government.

Mr. Speaker, this legislation makes an important statement about Congress's commitment in addressing violations of human rights, wherever they occur. I urge my colleagues to join me in support of this legislation in giving these people hope in humanity.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. BERMAN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5834, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 25 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD) at 6 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H. Res. 1181, de novo;

H.R. 6022, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 4008, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES AND SYMPATHY TO PEOPLE OF BURMA FOR LOSS OF LIFE AND DESTRUCTION CAUSED BY CYCLONE NARGIS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 1181.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from American Samoa (Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1181.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. CROWLEY. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 410, nays 1, not voting 22, as follows:

[Roll No. 306]

YEAS—410

Abercrombie	Cubin	Hirono
Ackerman	Cuellar	Hobson
Aderholt	Culberson	Hodes
Akin	Cummings	Hoekstra
Alexander	Davis (AL)	Holden
Allen	Davis (CA)	Holt
Altmire	Davis (IL)	Honda
Arcuri	Davis (KY)	Hooley
Baca	Davis, David	Hoyer
Bachmann	Davis, Lincoln	Hunter
Bachus	Davis, Tom	Inglis (SC)
Baird	Deal (GA)	Inslee
Baldwin	DeFazio	Israel
Barrett (SC)	DeGette	Issa
Barrow	Delahunt	Jackson (IL)
Bartlett (MD)	DeLauro	Jackson-Lee
Barton (TX)	Dent	(TX)
Bean	Diaz-Balart, L.	Jefferson
Becerra	Diaz-Balart, M.	Johnson (GA)
Berkley	Dicks	Johnson (IL)
Berman	Dingell	Johnson, E. B.
Berry	Doggett	Johnson, Sam
Biggert	Donnelly	Jones (NC)
Bilbray	Doolittle	Jones (OH)
Billirakis	Doyle	Jordan
Bishop (GA)	Drake	Kagen
Bishop (NY)	Dreier	Kanjorski
Bishop (UT)	Duncan	Kaptur
Blackburn	Edwards	Keller
Blumenauer	Ehlers	Kennedy
Blunt	Ellison	Kildee
Boehner	Ellsworth	Kilpatrick
Boozman	Emanuel	Kind
Boren	Emerson	King (IA)
Boswell	Engel	King (NY)
Boucher	English (PA)	Kingston
Boustany	Eshoo	Kirk
Boyd (FL)	Etheridge	Klein (FL)
Boyd (KS)	Everett	Kline (MN)
Brady (PA)	Fallin	Knollenberg
Brady (TX)	Farr	Kucinich
Braley (IA)	Fattah	Kuhl (NY)
Broun (GA)	Feeney	LaHood
Brown (SC)	Filner	Lamborn
Brown, Corrine	Flake	Lampson
Brown-Waite,	Forbes	Langevin
Ginny	Fortenberry	Larsen (WA)
Buchanan	Fossella	Larson (CT)
Burgess	Foster	Latham
Burton (IN)	Fox	LaTourette
Butterfield	Frank (MA)	Latta
Buyer	Franks (AZ)	Lee
Calvert	Frelinghuysen	Levin
Camp (MI)	Gallely	Lewis (CA)
Campbell (CA)	Garrett (NJ)	Lewis (GA)
Cannon	Giffords	Lewis (KY)
Cantor	Gilchrest	Linder
Capito	Gillibrand	Lipinski
Capps	Gingrey	LoBiondo
Capuano	Gohmert	Loeb
Cardoza	Gonzalez	Loftgren, Zoe
Carnahan	Goode	Lowey
Carson	Goodlatte	Lucas
Carter	Gordon	Lungren, Daniel
Castle	Granger	E.
Castor	Graves	Lynch
Cazayoux	Green, Al	Mahoney (FL)
Chabot	Green, Gene	Maloney (NY)
Chandler	Grijalva	Manzullo
Clarke	Gutierrez	Marchant
Clay	Hall (NY)	Markey
Cleaver	Hall (TX)	Marshall
Clyburn	Hare	Matheson
Coble	Harman	Matsui
Cohen	Hastings (FL)	McCarthy (CA)
Cole (OK)	Hastings (WA)	McCarthy (NY)
Conaway	Hayes	McCaul (TX)
Conyers	Heller	McCollum (MN)
Cooper	Hensarling	McCotter
Costa	Herger	McCrary
Costello	Herseth Sandlin	McDermott
Courtney	Higgins	McGovern
Cramer	Hill	McHenry
Crowley	Hinche	McHugh

McIntyre	Rahall	Souder
McKeon	Ramstad	Space
McMorris	Rangel	Speier
Rodgers	Regula	Spratt
McNerney	Rehberg	Stark
McNulty	Reichert	Stearns
Meek (FL)	Renzi	Stupak
Meeks (NY)	Reyes	Sullivan
Melancon	Reynolds	Sutton
Mica	Rodriguez	Tancredo
Michaud	Rogers (AL)	Tanner
Miller (FL)	Rogers (KY)	Tauscher
Miller (MI)	Rogers (MI)	Taylor
Miller (NC)	Ros-Lehtinen	Terry
Miller, Gary	Ross	Thompson (CA)
Miller, George	Rothman	Thompson (MS)
Mitchell	Roybal-Allard	Thornberry
Moore (KS)	Royce	Tiahrt
Moore (WI)	Ruppersberger	Tiberi
Moran (KS)	Ryan (OH)	Tierney
Moran (VA)	Ryan (WI)	Towns
Murphy (CT)	Salazar	Tsongas
Murphy, Patrick	Sali	Turner
Murphy, Tim	Sánchez, Linda	Udall (CO)
Murtha	T.	Upton
Musgrave	Sanchez, Loretta	Van Hollen
Nadler	Sarbanes	Velázquez
Napolitano	Saxton	Visclosky
Neal (MA)	Scalise	Walberg
Neugebauer	Schakowsky	Walden (OR)
Nunes	Schiff	Walsh (NY)
Oberstar	Schmidt	Walz (MN)
Obey	Schwartz	Wamp
Olver	Scott (GA)	Wasserman
Ortiz	Scott (VA)	Schultz
Pallone	Sensenbrenner	Waters
Pascrell	Serrano	Watt
Pastor	Sessions	Waxman
Payne	Sestak	Weiner
Pearce	Shadegg	Welch (VT)
Pence	Shays	Weldon (FL)
Perlmutter	Shea-Porter	Westmoreland
Peterson (MN)	Sherman	Wexler
Petri	Shimkus	Whitfield (KY)
Pickering	Shuler	Wilson (NM)
Pitts	Shuster	Wilson (OH)
Platts	Simpson	Wilson (SC)
Poe	Skelton	Wittman (VA)
Pomeroy	Slaughter	Wolf
Porter	Smith (NE)	Woolsey
Price (GA)	Smith (NJ)	Wu
Price (NC)	Smith (TX)	Yarmuth
Pryce (OH)	Smith (WA)	Young (AK)
Putnam	Snyder	Young (FL)
Radanovich	Solis	

NAYS—1

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NOT VOTING—22

Andrews	Hulshof	Rush
Bonner	Mack	Sires
Bono Mack	Mollohan	Udall (NM)
Carney	Myrick	Watson
Crenshaw	Peterson (PA)	Weller
Ferguson	Richardson	Wynn
Gerlach	Rohrabacher	
Hinojosa	Roskam	

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Messrs. YOUNG of Alaska and KINGSTON changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE PEOPLE OF BURMA

(Mr. CROWLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CROWLEY. Madam Speaker, my colleagues, we just passed a resolution expressing the condolences and sympathy of the House of Representatives to the people of Burma, who are suffering incredible loss of life and de-

struction, mass destruction, within Burma because of the effects of Cyclone Nargis.

I would ask, if we could, on behalf of the suffering people of Burma, the millions of people who are without clean water, without proper sanitary conditions, without food, who are suffering incredibly, if we could stand for a moment of silence in their memory and on behalf of all the people of Burma today.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members will rise and observe a moment of silence.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE FILL SUSPENSION AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT OF 2008

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 6022, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. DINGELL) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 6022.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 385, nays 25, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 307]

YEAS—385

Abercrombie	Brown (SC)	Davis (CA)
Ackerman	Brown, Corrine	Davis (IL)
Aderholt	Brown-Waite,	Davis (KY)
Alexander	Ginny	Davis, David
Allen	Buchanan	Davis, Lincoln
Altmire	Burgess	Davis, Tom
Arcuri	Burton (IN)	Deal (GA)
Baca	Butterfield	DeFazio
Bachmann	Buyer	DeGette
Bachus	Calvert	Delahunt
Baird	Camp (MI)	DeLauro
Baldwin	Cannon	Dent
Barrett (SC)	Cantor	Diaz-Balart, L.
Barrow	Capito	Diaz-Balart, M.
Bartlett (MD)	Capps	Dicks
Bean	Capuano	Dingell
Becerra	Cardoza	Doggett
Berkley	Carnahan	Donnelly
Berman	Carson	Doyle
Berry	Carter	Drake
Biggett	Castle	Dreier
Bilbray	Castor	Duncan
Bilirakis	Cazayoux	Edwards
Bishop (GA)	Chabot	Ellison
Bishop (NY)	Chandler	Ellsworth
Bishop (UT)	Clarke	Emanuel
Blackburn	Cleaver	Emerson
Blumenauer	Clyburn	Engel
Blunt	Coble	English (PA)
Boehner	Cohen	Eshoo
Boozman	Conyers	Etheridge
Boren	Cooper	Everett
Boswell	Costa	Fallin
Boucher	Costello	Farr
Boustany	Courtney	Fattah
Boyd (FL)	Cramer	Feeney
Boyd (KS)	Crowley	Filmer
Brady (PA)	Cuellar	Flake
Brady (TX)	Culberson	Forbes
Braley (IA)	Cummings	Fortenberry
Broun (GA)	Davis (AL)	Fossella

Foster	Lungren, Daniel	Royce
Frank (MA)	E.	Ruppersberger
Frelinghuysen	Lynch	Ryan (OH)
Gallely	Mahoney (FL)	Ryan (WI)
Garrett (NJ)	Maloney (NY)	Salazar
Giffords	Manzullo	Sali
Gilchrest	Marchant	Sánchez, Linda
Gillibrand	Markey	T.
Gingrey	Marshall	Sanchez, Loretta
Gohmert	Matheson	Sarbanes
Gonzalez	Matsui	Saxton
Goode	McCarthy (CA)	Schakowsky
Goodlatte	McCarthy (NY)	Schiff
Gordon	McCaul (TX)	Schmidt
Granger	McCollum (MN)	Schwartz
Graves	McCotter	Scott (GA)
Green, Al	McCrery	Scott (VA)
Green, Gene	McDermott	Sensenbrenner
Grijalva	McGovern	Serrano
Gutierrez	McHenry	Sessions
Hall (NY)	McHugh	Sestak
Hall (TX)	McIntyre	Shadegg
Hare	McKeon	Shays
Harman	McMorris	Shea-Porter
Hastings (FL)	Rodgers	Sherman
Hastings (WA)	McNerney	Shimkus
Hayes	McNulty	Shuler
Heller	Meek (FL)	Shuster
Herseth Sandlin	Meeks (NY)	Simpson
Higgins	Melancon	Sires
Hill	Michaud	Skelton
Hinchey	Miller (FL)	Slaughter
Hirono	Miller (MI)	Smith (NE)
Hobson	Miller (NC)	Smith (NJ)
Hodes	Miller, Gary	Smith (TX)
Hoekstra	Miller, George	Smith (WA)
Holden	Mitchell	Snyder
Holt	Moore (KS)	Solis
Honda	Moore (WI)	Souder
Hooley	Moran (KS)	Space
Hoyer	Moran (VA)	Speier
Hunter	Murphy (CT)	Spratt
Inslee	Murphy, Patrick	Stark
Israel	Murphy, Tim	Stearns
Issa	Murtha	Stupak
Jackson (IL)	Musgrave	Sullivan
Jackson-Lee	Nadler	Sutton
(TX)	Napolitano	Tancredo
Jefferson	Neal (MA)	Tanner
Johnson (GA)	Nunes	Tauscher
Johnson (IL)	Oberstar	Taylor
Johnson, E. B.	Obey	Terry
Johnson, Sam	Olver	Thompson (CA)
Jones (NC)	Ortiz	Thompson (MS)
Jones (OH)	Pallone	Thornberry
Jordan	Pascrell	Tiahrt
Kagen	Pastor	Tiberi
Kanjorski	Paul	Tierney
Kaptur	Payne	Towns
Keller	Pearce	Tsongas
Kennedy	Pence	Turner
Kildee	Perlmutter	Udall (CO)
Kilpatrick	Peterson (MN)	Upton
Kind	Petri	Van Hollen
King (NY)	Pitts	Velázquez
Kingston	Platts	Visclosky
Kirk	Poe	Walberg
Klein (FL)	Pomeroy	Walden (OR)
Kline (MN)	Porter	Walsh (NY)
Knollenberg	Price (GA)	Walsh (NY)
Kucinich	Price (NC)	Walz (MN)
Kuhl (NY)	Pryce (OH)	Wamp
Dicks	Putnam	Wasserman
LaHood	Rahall	Schultz
Lampson	Ramstad	Waters
Langevin	Rangel	Watt
Larsen (WA)	Regula	Waxman
Latham	Rehberg	Weiner
LaTourette	Reichert	Welch (VT)
Latta	Renzi	Wexler
Lee	Reyes	Whitfield (KY)
Levin	Reynolds	Wilson (NM)
Lewis (CA)	Rodriguez	Wilson (OH)
Lewis (GA)	Rogers (AL)	Wittman (VA)
Lewis (KY)	Rogers (KY)	Wolf
Lipinski	Rogers (MI)	Woolsey
LoBiondo	Ros-Lehtinen	Wu
Loeback	Ross	Yarmuth
Lofgren, Zoe	Rothman	Young (AK)
Lowey	Roybal-Allard	Young (FL)

NAYS—25

Akin	Ehlers	Lamborn
Barton (TX)	Foxx	Linder
Campbell (CA)	Franks (AZ)	Lucas
Cole (OK)	Hensarling	Mica
Conaway	Herger	Neugebauer
Cubin	Inglis (SC)	
Doolittle	King (IA)	